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STOCKTON RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL.

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ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH FOR THE YEAR ENDED 1959.

1. BIRHTS. This year there were 67 births, giving a birth rate of 7.4.

2. DEATHS. There were 58 deaths, the average age at death being 69.

3. NOTIFIABLE DISEASES.

There were 76 cases notified this year, whereas in 1958 25 were notified. This number was mainly due to measles which accounted for 65 of the cases.

4. INFECTIOUS DISEASES.

	Cases Notified.	Cases removed to Hospital.	Deaths.
Whooping Cough.	4	-	-
Scarlet Fever.	1	1	-
Measles.	65	5	-
Pneumonia.	2	1	-
G.Enteritis.	1	-	-
Tuberculosis.	3	1	-
	25	1	-

Age groups of attack.

	Under 1.	1-2	2-3	3-4	4-5	5-10	10-15	15-20	20-35	35-45	Over 45
Whooping Cough.		1			1	1	1				
Scarlet Fever.										1	
Measles.	6	4	5	8	7	34	1				
Pneumonia.											2
G.Enteritis.	1										
Tuberculosis.								1	2		

5. TUBERCULOSIS.

Age Periods.	New Cases. Pulmonary. M.	Pulmonary. F.	Non Pulmonary. M.	Non Pulmonary. F.
15 - 25	1	1		
25 - 35		1		
	1	2	-	-

6. Extracts from Vital Statistics.

Estimated population of your District 9,080.

	Male.	Female.	Total.	Birth Rate.
Live Births.				
Legitimate.	42	23	65	7.4
Illegitimate.	1	1	2	
	43	24	67	
Still Births.				
Legitimate.	-	-	-	
Illegitimate.	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	
Infantile Deaths.				
Legitimate.	1	-	1	
Illegitimate.	-	-	-	
	1	-	1	

I think that on the whole we can take it that the health and sanitary circumstances of your area have been very satisfactory.

7. AMBULANCE FACILITIES.

Complete ambulance facilities for the area for all classes of cases have been provided by the County Council during the year.

Water supply and drainage, Public cleansing, Eradication of bed bugs, Closet accommodation, Camping sites and Housing are dealt with by the Public Health Inspector and Surveyor in his Report.

8. CAUSES OF DEATHS.

	Males.	Females.
Tuberculosis - Respiratory.		
-do- other.		
Syphilitic.		
Diphtheria.		
Whooping cough.		
Meningococcal infections.		
Acute poliomyelitis.		
Measles.		
Other infective and parasitic diseaes.		
Malignant neoplasm, stomach.	1	2
-do- lung bronchus.	1	
-do- uterus.		
-do- breast.		
Other malignant and lymphatic neoplasms.		2
Leukaemia, aleukaemia.		
Diabetes.		
Vascular lesions of nervous system.		
Coronary disease, angina.	7	12
Hypertension with heart disease.	3	2
Other heart disease.	5	5
Other circulatory disease.		
Influenza.		
Pneumonia.	1	
Bronchitis.		2
Other diseaes of respiratory system.		
Ulcer of stomch & duodenum.		
Gastritis, Enteritis, diarrhoea.		
Nephritis, nephrosis.		
Hyperplasia of prostrate.		1
Pregnancy, childbirth & abortion.		
Congenital malformations.		
Other defined and ill- defined diseases.	4	6
Motor vehicle accidents.	1	
All other accidents.	2	
Suicide.	1	
Homicide and operations of war.		
	26.	32

9. IMMUNISATION.

Last year 98 children were protected by immunisation and below are the figures for this year.

	Primary.	Booster.
Diphtheria only.	-	6
Diphtheria & Whooping cough.	96	19
Whooping cough only.	-	-
	96	25.

I wish to thank the Committee for their valuable help and support, also the staff and other officials both in the Rural District and the County for their assistance.

I am, Ladies and Gentlemen,
Your obedient Servant,

L.R. Benham.
M.B., B.S.,(Melb), D.P.H. (Lon).
Medical Officer of Health.

STOCKTON RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL

Annual Report of the Public
Health Inspector and Surveyor
for the year ended 31st
December, 1959.

WATER SUPPLY

With few exception water is supplied throughout the district by the Tees Valley Water Board and the Hartlepools Water Board.

At all times the quality of the water was satisfactory, but the pressure in the Grindon, Carlton, Redmarshall and Whitton parishes was barely sufficient for the household needs. This insufficiency is being dealt with by the Council and the Tees Valley Water Board.

HOUSING

During the year only four bungalows were built by the Council at Stillington in the parish of Whitton. Private dwellings built during the year were divided over the district thus:-

(a) Egglescliffe	12
(b) Elwick	2
(c) Preston	3
(d) Grindon	1

IMPROVEMENT GRANTS

Application for improvement grants were received from owners of properties from the following parishes:-

Aislaby	5
Egglescliffe	2
Elwick	5
Grindon	9
Hart	2
Longnewton	2
Redmarshall	2
Whitton	5

Of the thirty-three applications all but one were approved, involving grants totalling £9,127.

STANDARD GRANTS

Only one application was received for a Standard Grant of £39 this was approved.

DISREPAIR CERTIFICATE

No disrepair certificates were received under the Rent Act 1957. Two certificates were cancelled after the work had been completed.

REGISTRATION TO SELL ICECREAM

Two applications were granted for registration to sell icecream.

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SMOKE ABATEMENT

The deposite gaugers were positioned at Stillington, Preston, Egglescliffe and Greatham and the average deposits over the year were as follows:-

	Tons per sq. mile per mth.
Stillington	13.77
Egglescliffe	14.73
Preston	14.36
Greatham	16.03

RODENT CONTROL

A total of 214 manholes throughout the district were baited and 14 takes were recorded.

Maintainence treatment was continued in the areas where baits were taken.

The Councils refuse tips at Whitton, Newton Bewley and Egglescliffe were baited throughout the year, and the results showed only minor infestation.

A number of private premises were visited after requests by owners.

SEWERS AND SEWAGE

There were five conversions on the water carriage system at Greatham.

Choked drains on the Councils Housing Estates and at private houses were cleaned.

All the sewage disposal works functioned satisfactory throughout the year.

PETROLEUM

During the year 30 premises were licensed for the storage of Petroleum.

PUBLIC CLEANSING

The collection of refuse throughout the district was carried out by Council's own workmen and the purchase of a new refuse wagon helped in providing a satisfactory service.

Litter baskets were provided and fixed throughout the area.

CAMPING SITES

There are 9 camp sites, 229 individual caravans and an estimated total of 709 persons.

I am Ladies & Gentlemen,
Your Obedient Servant,

G. W. T. Brown

Surveyor & Public Health Inspector